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D.C. Baseball:

For SW, the stadium offers possibilities, as well as problems in traffic and parking

By Hugh Muir

A government-sponsored Information Open House on building a baseball stadium in the Southeast-Southwest area was held March 8, and the principal message to Southwest residents was this: when the Washington Nationals play at home, traffic and parking in our neighborhood will be major problems.

During a two-and-a-half-hour show-and-tell meeting at Van Ness Elementary School attended by some 100 citizens, spokespersons for half a dozen city agencies outlined plans for improving present traffic patterns and for developing new roadways and parking facilities to meet the ballpark crush. The consensus was that there will not be enough to satisfy either residents or ball fans, but that specific efforts will be made to ease congestion. More on this later in this article.

Other issues discussed that will impact on Southwest included relocation of businesses, rezoning, the orientation and design of the new stadium, and improvements and changes in bridging the Anacostia River.

The stadium site is a 21-acre SE plot bounded by South Capitol Street, N Street, First Street and P Street. The design of the stadium is to be approved by the end of June. The soon-to-be owner of the site, the Anacostia Waterfront Corporation (AWC), will require an open center-field wall to direct most of the sound, and the view, north toward the Capitol. No blank walls will face the streets in the area; such public amenities as shops and restaurants will be required.



This is an artist's concept of how a stadium might look. It doesn't represent a specific design. Illustration courtesy 360 Architecture.

The formal rezoning of the stadium plot is expected by the end of July. The D.C. Sports & Entertainment Commission said construction will begin in February 2006 and completion is set for March 2008, in time for the opening game. (The season opens this year on April 14.) Property owners in the site have been informed of buyout proposals by the city.

Surrounding the stadium is the Capitol Gateway area, bounded roughly by Second Street S.W., Independence Avenue, Third Street SE, and the Anacostia River. According to Chan Krieger & Associates, designers for the AWC, development plans will go to the AWC board by this September.

As for traffic and parking affecting

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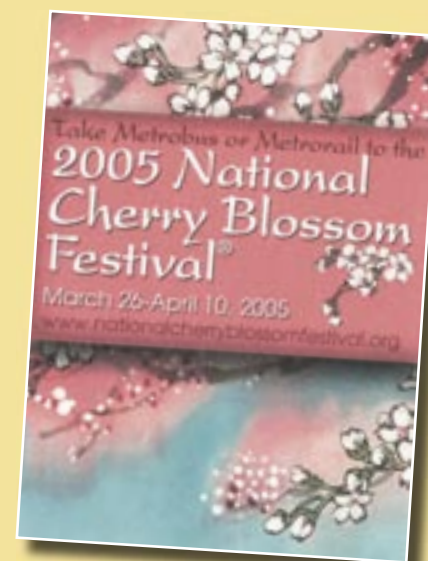
The D.C. Department of Traffic & Transportation told the meeting there will be no changes in the design or traffic flow of Southwest streets in connection with the ballpark. Specifically, said Dan Tangherlini, director of the department, the new Fourth Street link through the to-be-rebuilt Waterfront mall "is not seen as a cut-through to relieve traffic on M Street, baseball or otherwise." The focus at the mall, he said, continues to be "an effort to return the street to the community." South Capitol and M streets are expected to take the brunt of the baseball traffic.

As for parking, residents expressed

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THE PRINCIPAL PROPOSED CHANGES FOR THE AREA INCLUDE:

- **Redesigning South Capitol Street** within its current 160-foot-wide corridor, with improved access to and from the ballpark for bridge and freeway traffic (so far, 80 percent of the Nationals' season ticket buyers are from Maryland and Virginia).
- **In Southwest, redeveloping the area between Second Street and South Capitol** and from Q Street to the river - excluding, at least initially, the Coast Guard headquarters building and the power plant. Sites facing South Capitol between M and Q will also be affected. All this involves tearing out some older residences ("very little," says the AWC), as well as concrete and scrap material businesses, small firms on South Capitol, and blue night clubs (about which D.C. Council member Sharon Ambrose observed, "I think their time in this area has passed.")
- **Rehabilitating the decaying Frederick Douglas Memorial Bridge** across the Anacostia, to give it another five-to-ten years of life, to be completed by 2007. And meanwhile to design and build a replacement bridge just downstream as part of a new traffic design between SW and SE arteries.



Cherry Blossom Events in SW

With the Cherry Blossom Festival starting toward the end of March and peak blossoming as early as the first week in April, Southwest D.C. will be the focus for many of the festival's events through Sun. Apr. 10.

Free events starting Sat. Mar. 26 include at noon daily at the Jefferson Memorial music, dance and displays. (schedule at www.nationalcherryblossomfestival.org.) Smithsonian METRO Independence Ave. S.W. exit. Walk down 12th St. SW to Maine Ave. S.W. or over Independence Ave. S.W. to 15th St. S.W. and south to the waterfront.

Kimonos are on display at Mandarin Oriental Hotel 1330 Maryland Ave. S.W. (Smithsonian METRO Independence Ave. Exit). Japanese textiles on sale. Mar. 26-Apr. 10, 10 am - 5:30 pm.

Festival opening ceremony will be at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel on Sat. Mar. 26 at 5:30 pm. Free. Reservations required (limit 4) (202) 661-7584.

Chamber Music by Mozart, Schubert, Beethoven and others will be performed Thurs. Mar. 31 at 7:30 pm at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, 6th and Maine Ave. S.W.

Fireworks on the S.W. Waterfront will be displayed at 8:30 pm Sat. Apr. 2 Best viewing from Hains Point or the S.W. promenade and restaurants. Children's activities, music food and beverages will be featured at the park space between Channel Inn and Zanzibar (7th St. S.W. and Water St.) from 5 pm to 8:30 pm before the fireworks.

SWNA Meets Mon. Mar. 21

The annual meeting of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, Inc. will be held at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 3rd and M St. S.W. Mon., Mar. 21 (rather than the usual fourth Mon.) at 7:30 pm.

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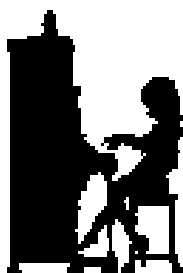
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24 Years Ago in Southwest

Stephen Wade opened in the Old Vat Room in Arena Stage in a one-man show titled "Banjo Dancing - Appalachian Songs, banjo tunes, clog dancing and stories. It was hugely successful and ran for months. Wade reprised his songs one night at the Library of Congress in 2004.

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In Memoriam

Ed Sylvester, First President of SWNA, in 1963

Edward C. Sylvester, first president of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly when it was organized in 1963, died on Feb. 12.

He was 81 years old.

Mr. Sylvester came to Washington in 1962 to serve as deputy administrator of the Bureau of International Labor Affairs under President John F. Kennedy. Under President Lyndon B. Johnson Sylvester became the first director of the Labor Department's Office of Federal Contract Compliance in 1965.

From 1967 to 1973 he was on the D.C. Board of High Education and its chair for three years. From 1975 to 1993 Mr. Sylvester was staff director of the House of Representatives Committee on the District of Columbia.

Mr. Sylvester was a member of the board of the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

Ed is survived by his wife of 56 years, Lucy and three children, Lynn Sylvester and Carol Bradwell of Washington, and Edward C. III of Sarasota, Fla. and a grandson.

Funeral services were at St. Augustine Episcopal Church in S.W., were attended by a host of friends and notables including Congressman Ronald Dellums. Rev. Barbara J. Clarke, was officiating.



**The League of Women Voters
runs the SWNA Elections.**

CORRECTION:

**On page 2 of the March
Southwester we left the "h"
out of David
Sobelsohn's name.**

Sorry.

Southwest Community Calendar

MONTHLY

SAT. MAR. 19 SWNA public elections - Waterfront Mall- 10am-3pm

SAT. MAR. 19 Big Breakfast \$5 by men of Christ United Methodist Church, entrance off Wesley Place at K St. S.W. 9 am - 11 am

MON. MAR. 21 Monthly public meeting of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 3rd & M St. S.W. 7:30 pm

THURS. MAR. 24 NARFE meeting at S.W. Branch Library, K St. & Wesley Pl. Congresswoman Norton invited guest 12:30 pm

THURS. MAR. 24 Amidon PTA 6:30 pm.

THURS. MAR. 24 SEU Seminar "How To Write A Business Plan"

FRI. MAR. 25 - FRI. APR. 1 No School - Spring Break

SAT. MAR. 26 Walking Tour of Southwest, 4th & I (Eye) St. S.W. 11 am

SAT. MAR. 26 Cherry Blossom Festival events start in Southwest

TUES. APR. 5 Citizens Advisory Council - Police Hdqtrs, Dist. 1, 415 - 4th St. S.W. 7 pm

MON. APR. 11 ANC 6D business meeting open to the public, 65 I (Eye) St. S.W. 7 pm

MON. APR. 11 Arena Stage Fundraiser

WED. APR. 20 AARP luncheon meeting St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 3rd & M St. S.W. 12 noon.

SUN. APR. 24 Passover

MON. APR. 25 SWNA Public meeting St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 3rd and M St. S.W. 7:30 pm

THURS. APR. 28 NARFE, SW Library, 12:30 pm

WEEKLY, BI-WEEKLY

S.W. CITIZENS PATROL with Officer Kenny Daniels every Tues. at 7 pm - meet at 4th & M St. S.W., next to Waterfront Front, Metro elevator at 4th & M St. SW.

KOMEN TOASTMASTERS - First & Third Sat., S.W. Library, 10 am.

FIL-AM TOASTMASTERS - Second & Fourth Wed., S.W. Library, 6:15 pm

SCHOOL ST. TOASTMASTERS - Every Tues., 400 Virginia Ave. S.W., Room 488 - noon.

COLLECTOR'S CLUB STAMPS - First & Third Wed., Christ United Methodist Church, 300 block of I (Eye) St. S.W., 7 pm (202)-291-6229.

S.W. KIWANIS - First & Third Mon., Christ United Methodist, 4th & I St. S.W., 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

NEW SOUTHWEST TOASTMASTERS - Every Wed. GSA Bldg - 7th & D St. S.W., Room 5009 (inside cafeteria), noon.

Please submit calendar items for the next issue by Wed. April 6

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concern that stadium parkers would overflow into the neighborhood. The stadium, which is to seat up to 40,000, is required to provide only 1,100 parking spaces itself - which, some residents commented, would probably go to elite season-ticket holders.

D.C. transportation officials suggested a number of solutions under consideration: 1) Use the off-work-hour underground parking of the many new office buildings in the area. 2) Provide parking in the empty areas just across the Anacostia River at Poplar Point and bus fans from there to the park. 3) Encourage the development of water taxi businesses to provide similar parking links. 4) Promote the use of Metro (the Navy Yard station is one long block away,

but officials agree that its expanded use would require access improvements).

Officials said efforts would be made to block stadium users from using designated residential parking areas in SW (already inadequate for residents). One official noted that it was hoped that baseball fans would be willing to park some distance from the stadium - an official planning map showed concentric circles up to three-quarters of a mile from the stadium — and walk.

Council Member Sharon Ambrose urged Southwest residents to attend public hearings as they are announced. "What's going on around the new ball field will be very healthy for the Southwest community." But, she said, in urging public participation in the process, "the trick is not to let the happening get ahead of the planning."

Arena Stage Trained 60 Jeff Students

Theater workshops by Arena Stage professionals have reached 60 students from Jefferson, Jr., and 13 have been selected by audition for a Voices of Now ensemble to write their own skit and perform it later in the year.

For more information contact Ashley Forman of Arena Stage at aforman@arenastage.org.

Arena Stage Summer Camp

A four week summer camp for 130 young people ages 8-15 will be conducted by Arena Stage from July 5-29 at Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School in Upper Northwest D.C., using the school's 500 -seat theater and dance studio.

Tuition is \$1,500 if paid by April 4, or \$1,600 thereafter. A limited number of need-based scholarships are available by application.

"Classes in theater, music, dance and visual art [are] taught by a highly trained staff of artist educators," according to a release by Arena Stage. "Camp runs Monday-Friday, 9 am to 4 pm, with early drop-off and Extended Day available for an additional fee. Register at www.arenastage.org or by calling (202) 554-9066, ext. 808."

"Crowns" Returns July 5-Aug. 7, 2005

Arena Stage has announced a 5-week return of the very popular musical hit Crowns that sold out last summer in the Kreeger Theater at Arena. Tickets (up to 4) can be bought by subscribers at a 10% discount by Sun. March

27, but the date for public sales had not been announced as The Southwester went to press.

Fundraiser at Arena Stage Mon. Apr. 11

U.S. Senators, Congressmen and other dignitaries will take the stage in a comic melodrama in which they play superheroes saving the planet from the likes of

Joker and Catwoman.

\$200-and-higher tickets will enable an audience to have fun and also contribute to the "Community Engagement" programs of Arena Stage. For \$350 a pre-show dinner at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel in Southwest is thrown in. Corporate sponsorships start at \$2,500.

Media personalities in the cast include - but are not limited to - Kojo Nnamdi, Jonetta Rose Barras, Doreen Gentzler, Jim Vance, Fred Barnes and Mort Kondracke. The Mayor and several council members will join the dozen Senators and Congressmen in the drama.

The script, entitled "Capital Crusaders: It's a Bird! It's a Plane! It's Congress!" was written by local playwright and director Nick Olcott.

The performance will be at 8:30 pm Mon. Apr. 11 in the Kreeger Theater. For tickets, call (202) 554-9066, ext. 266 or e-mail events@arenastage.org.

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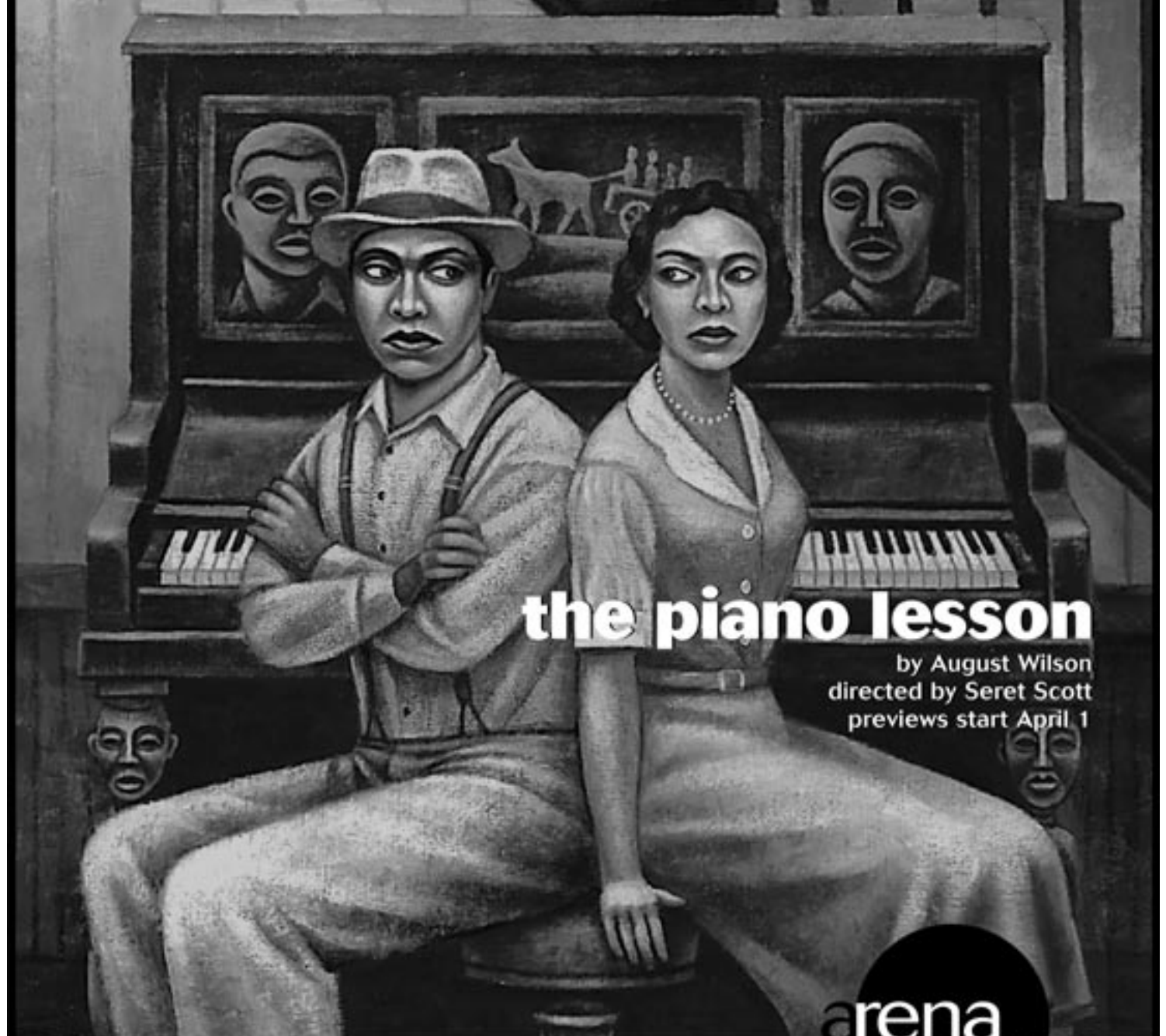
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On Wed. at 10 am children can enjoy a concert by folksinger Judy Cook, entitled "Tenting Tonight: Songs and Stories of the Civil War." After the concert, children 5-12 are invited to fashion their own Civil War Medal of Honor, create a newspaper article about Admiral Farragut's decisive New Orleans victor and sample some hardtack.

On Thurs. children ages 5-12 are invited to make sailor valentines, signal flags, and scrimshaw in the Museum Education Center. "Families can look through periscopes in a submarine battle station or crack enemy codes to help win the Battle of Midway, and complete a scavenger hunt at the museum," according to the Navy. Across the street from the museum the display ship Barry "allows visitors to experience shipboard life during the Cold War era".Lunch or a snack is available at vending machines and the Navy Yard's eateries withinwalking distance of the museum.

SWNA Ballot For Sat. Mar. 19 At Mall

*The names on the printed ballot for public voting for officers and district representatives on the Board of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, Inc., on Sat. Mar. 19 are as follows:
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SWNA Supports Housing Bills

Testimony from the Board of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly in support of four bills pending before the Council of the District of Columbia was given by SWNA Secretary David Sobelsohn at a hearing on Feb. 16

Should SWNA Seek Baseball Parking Plan?

The huge parking problem that the new baseball stadium will bring to residents and businesses of Near Southwest and Near Southeast was discussed by the Board of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly at its Feb. 7 meeting.

One plan, by a private company, was explained by a representative of Park USA, Inc. It would set up a parking district for several blocks in Near Southwest and Near Southeast of 2,600 metered curbside on-street parking spots which are non-metered at present.

The Parks USA company would pay the District of Columbia \$100 million to con-

trol those meters. The company promises to keep residential parking free and accessible on game days.

Museum Lecture, Walking Tour About S.W.

Near Southwest D.C. will be the subject of a lecture and a walking tour sponsored by the Historical Society of Washington, D.C. late in March.

A lecture on S.W. Urban Renewal of the 1950s and 1960s including the work of leading architects and landscape architects will be given by George Washington University professor Dr. Richard Longstreth at the City Museum Library (Carnegie Library) 801 K St. N.W. Tues. Mar. 22, 6-8 pm. Light refreshments will be served. \$8 for members of the historical society; \$12 non-members.

Dr. Longstreth will conduct a walking tour of Southwest starting at the south side of I St. at 4th St. S.W. from 11 am-12:30 pm Sat. March 26. \$8 members; \$12 non-members. (Joggers will be completing their marathon training at that location at that time).



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Holiday Inn Capitol's New Look

By Carole Early

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New additions are the 21st Amendment Bar and Grill, a large courtyard for outdoor restaurant seating, and a greatly expanded business center. A Starbucks will be opening this spring at the corner of 6th & C Streets. It will have a street entrance, as well as an entrance from the hotel. On the corner of the hotel, there is a dramatic white Teflon fin. By night, this shaft is dramatically lit.

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Openings and Closing in Near Southeast

By Mark Clark

A number of new businesses have opened for business or have begun construction in the nearby M Street (Southeast) corridor to cater to Navy Yard and Southeast Federal Center employees as well as area residents.

In the new building at 1100 New Jersey Avenue, SE a full service Chevy Chase Bank and a Subway Sandwich shop are now open for business, and a 1015 square foot CVS Pharmacy and Convenience Store and a Five Guys Famous Burgers and Fries restaurant are currently under construction.

Subway Sandwiches

Metabuhl Haque, the Bangladeshi/American manager of the Subway Sandwich Shop expressed delight in working at this new location, which has experienced a steadily growing clientele for their delicious line of fresh sandwiches at moderate prices.

"We've been open since December

10th. We enjoy serving the people in this neighborhood with our fresh baked bread and fresh, healthy ingredients. We stay open Monday through Saturday from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday 9 to 5. The entrance to the store is on Second Street, near the intersection of L, across the street from a school bus parking lot that is slated to become a city park.

Chevy Chase Bank

On the opposite side of the same building at 1100 New Jersey Avenue is a newly opened full service branch of Chevy Chase Bank, with four teller windows and 24 hour outdoor ATM terminals. The bank's unusually long hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Permits have been issued for electrical, plumbing and carpentry for the future CVS Pharmacy and Convenience Store, located at the corner of New Jersey Avenue and M Streets SE, directly across the street from the east entrance to the Navy Yard Metro Station, and for the Five Guys Famous Burgers and Fries, located at 2nd



A sign of the times: The Star Market is overwhelmed by new development

and L, SE.

Ann's Beauty Supply

Moving from Waterside Mall to 125 L St. S.E. next to the St. Matthew's Baptist Church is Sok Reed, owner of Anne's Beauty Supply and Wigs Co. Her ad in this issue of the Southwester tells of the variety of her services.

Star Market (no more)

Nearby, at 156 L St. SE, the Star Market, a neighborhood grocery/ beer/ wine/convenience store has closed, and the commercially zoned building with beer and wine license is for sale. The late Victorian two story structure is crowded on three sides by the construction activity for the new Marriott Hotel and apartment building, which will have 200 condominium and rental apartments, when it opens in early 2006. Adorned with spray painted gang graffiti and pressed tin Coca Cola signs, and crowded by chain link

construction fences and concrete forms, the Star Market is a poignant symbol of the drastic changes that are sweeping the area near the Navy Yard Metro station. A short distance away, large machines are reducing the Arthur Capper/Carrollsborg housing project to rubble to make way for a Hope VI urban renewal project that will offer market rate and affordable subsidized housing for DC residents.



A new Subway Sandwich shop at the corner of Second and L Streets.



The school bus lot near the intersection of Second and L streets, is slated to become a city park

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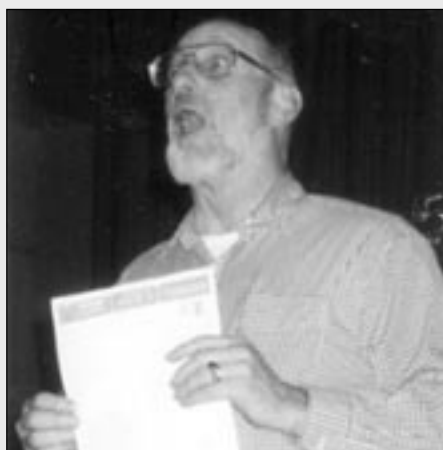
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TUES. and WED.- MARCH 22 and 23 8:00 AM Mass 12:10 PM Mass

THURS., MARCH 24 - HOLY THURSDAY 7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

FRI., MARCH 25 - GOOD FRIDAY 12:15 PM Stations of the Cross 3:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion

SAT., MARCH 26 - HOLY SATURDAY 9:00 AM Tenebrae: Office of Readings and Morning Prayer

7:30 PM Great Vigil of Easter with service of Light

SUN. MARCH 27 - EASTER SUNDAY 8:00 AM Mass at Dawn 10:45 AM Festive Mass of Easter

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 4th and I St., SW, 202-484-7700

Thursday, March 24, Communion Service 7:30

Friday, March 25 - Good Friday Jazz, Davie Yarborough

Sunday, March 27 - Easter Sunday, 11:00

Second Union Baptist, 1107 Delaware Ave, SW, 202-484-7012

Friday March 25 - service at 7:30 pm,

Sunday March 27 Sunrise Service, 7:00 am, Easter Service 11:00 am

Christ United Methodist, 4th and I Streets, SW, 202-554-9117

19 - 9-11 a.m Men's Breakfast
20 - Palm Sunday Choir Special Music
24 - 7 pm - Holy Thursday Services with Communion

The Capitol Hill Havurah

Passover runs from April 23 - May 1. Will hold its annual community seder on the second night of Passover which will be Sunday, April 24th. at Christ Church, 620 G St., SE at 6:00 pm. The Shabbat service in April will take place on Friday, April 15th at Christ Our Shepherd Church, 801 North Carolina Ave. (The service will begin at 7 pm.) Join with us as we welcome Shabbat and following that, share in a pot luck supper. Please consider bringing a main dish to share with others.

St. Augustine's Episcopal Church

Maundy Thurs. Mar. 24 Holy Communion; joint service with St. Matthew's Lutheran church, 7 pm

Good Friday, Mar. 25, Liturgy of God Friday, 12 noon to 1:00 pm; Stations of Cross with Meditations, 1 pm to approximately 3 pm

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SW College Scholarships

Applications for students graduating high school in 2005 are available at the SW Library. Students are encouraged to apply for a Southwest Scholarship. We wrote about the activities of some recent recipients in the last issue. Over 200 students have received scholarships from SWNA. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you about some more recipients:

Scott Frankel was a 1997 Scholarship recipient. He graduated from the Rochester Institute of Technology in information technology. He is now a network engineer at Practice Systems Integration in Northern Virginia.

Todd Frankel received a scholarship in 1993. He graduated from the University of Delaware with a major in English. Since graduation, he has been a reporter in many small towns and cities throughout the US. At the present time, he is currently a general assignment reporter at the St. Louis Dispatch in St. Louis, Missouri.

Mary Early is a 1993 and 1994 SW Scholarship recipient. She studied sculpture and printmaking at Bennington College, receiving a B.A. in 1997. Mary has exhibited her sculpture in various galleries and art organizations in Washington, DC., and maintains a studio in a historic carriage house on Capitol Hill. She is the Associate Director at Hemphill Fine Arts, an art gallery and art advisory service in Washington DC.

Tony Murray was a scholarship recipient in 1993. He graduated from Wesleyan University in Connecticut with a specialty in environmental science. He is an assistant project manager for a Metro Renewal Project at Gannett Fleming Architectural and Engineering Firm.

Ateya Ball-Lacey received scholarships in 1993 and 1994. She attended

Howard University and received a BA in English and a minor in Secondary Education. She received her Master's at St. Mary's University in Minneapolis, MN. She worked for four years teaching English and then wrote curriculum for a charter school. She operates a pre-school, the School Readiness Learning Academy (for 3-5 year olds) out of her Southwest home.

Lisa Matthews received a scholarship in 1991. She graduated from St. Augustine's College with a BS in Computer Science. She worked for General Electric in an Information Management Leadership Program for 5 1/2 years. She left General Electric for a position with Deloitte as a Senior Information Technology Consultant. She is presently at PeopleSoft as a Senior Consultant. She considers her extensive work-related travel within the United States, Europe, and Asia to be an exciting side benefit of her job.

In 1994 Sara (Wells) Clark was a Washington Design Center awardee representing the Scholarship recipient for the Design Center Award. This scholarship awarded her \$5,000 annually for 4 years along with a summer internship three years in a row. As an architecture major she was fortunate to meet and work with a number of local and national designers at the design center. Fast forward eleven years. She is now practicing multi and single family architecture at one of the largest residential architecture firms in the country.

Is there a nurse in "the house?" Yes, Kiana Council, received a scholarship in 1999 and graduated from Coppin State College with a Nursing Degree. She is now the pharmacy coordinator for United Care in Columbia, Maryland.



MLK Rec. 9-10 Team



MLK Rec. 16-18 Team



MLK Rec. 13-15 Team

MLK Rec. BB Looks Ahead

By Marcus Ellis

All three King-Greenleaf Recreation Center teams have had great success this year. The 16-18 age group is currently 5-0. The 13-15 age group has a record of 5-1 and the 9-10 age group is 4-0.

If we are doing this well now, what will happen now that we have a gym to practice in? Go Tigers!

Film & Video Presentations About SW

By Mark Clark

The Westminster Presbyterian Church at 400 I St. SW will present excerpts from director Alonzo Crawford's 1974 documentary film "Dirt, Ground, Earth, Land" at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 7th. The movie records a tenants' rent strike that occurred on the 1200 blocks of Half Street and Carrollburg Place SW in the nineteen seventies. The film features interviews with residents of the apartments, and shows the deplorable living conditions that precipitated the strike. A reception with wine, cheese and refreshments will follow, and Mark Clark's video "The Bottom", a DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities oral history project will be played during the festivities.

Fifty Southwest residents were inter-

viewed in front of a video camera as part of the Neighborhood Archive Project's documentation of Southwest east of Delaware Avenue during the summer of 2004. The church is also displaying the enormous digitally imaged portraits of area residents. The portraits were taken in 2003 by noted Washington photographers Hank Ferrand, Harlee Little, Bruce McNeil and Michael Platt. The portrait exhibition has been favorably reviewed in the Washington Post, Baltimore Sun and the Washington City Paper. The film maker and photographers will be present at the reception, which last until 8:30, to discuss their work. There is no admission fee for any of the events, and all DC residents are cordially invited. For additional information please call Rev. Brian Hamilton at 484-7700.

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Tiber Island Artists

By Carole Early

On February 5, 2005 there was an Artists Reception at the Tiber Island Apartments, South Building (in the lobby). The vibrant paintings hung in the brightly lit room.



Tiber Island resident artists are: (back row, left to right): John Carroll, Paul St. Hilaire, Sharran Jamison, Bill Whiston, Terry Parmelee. (front row, left to right): Beryl Rice, Ruth Cuestas (Co-Chair of exhibition), Thomas Walsh, Kay Layne (Co-chair), Ed Brooks. (Photo: Shawn Donnelly)

Police Service Area 104

By Mark Clark

At the Police Service Area 104 monthly community meeting on February 16th, Metropolitan Police Lieutenant Ronald Wilkins and Sergeant Kenneth Harvey addressed Southwest residents' concerns about the increase in street crime on Fourth Street. Citing problems with juvenile gangs in the area, the officers spoke of recent progress in identifying juvenile offenders and tracking down the perpetrators of recent muggings, as well as increases in surveillance activity. The officers also offered safety suggestions for area residents traveling on foot. As part of PSA 104's Partnership for Problem Solving, Lt. Wilkins discussed various problems with the 30 assembled residents. These included: the chronic drug trafficking in Southwest, and the recent surge of thefts from parked vehicles along 7th Street, near Jefferson Jr. High School. Citing recent successes in these areas, the officers passed out packets of information that included all of the criminal cases that were "papered" in DC Superior Court from near Southwest.

Lieutenant Wilkins also announced the creation of a new web site where Southwest residents can learn of police/community meetings, important developments in our precinct, as well as offer tips to assist in solving crimes. The new web site address is: <http://www.policesservicearea104@aol.com>.

In other police related news, law abiding residents will be pleased to learn of MPD Officer Robert Elliott's safe return to duty on February 22 from National Guard duty in Baghdad, Iraq.

Adult Volunteer Needed

Randal Recreation Center on I (Eye) St. S.W. and So. Capitol St. and Greenleaf Recreation Center at N and Canal St. S.W. both depend on adult volunteers. Two current needs are these:

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